U.S. Patent and Trademark Offica; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Sul	Substitute for form 1448/PTO			Complete if Known		
				Application Number	10/596,626-Conf. #8534	
11	NFORMATION	V DI	SCLOSURE	Filing Date	June 19, 2006	
l s	TATEMENT	BY A	APPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Karl-Heinz Schuster	
				Art Unit	N/A	
	(Use as many sheets as necessary)			Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned	
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	01641/0204258-US0	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Publication Date		Name of Palentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where	
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (# known)		Applicant of Cited Document	Relevent Passages or Relevan Figures Appear	
	AA*	US-6,717,722	04-06-2004	Shefer et al.		
	AB*	US-2005/0190455-A1	09-01-2005	Rostalski at al.		
	AC*	US-2005/0225737-A1	10-13-2005	Weissenneder et al.		
	AD*	US-2006/0012885-A1	01-19-2006	Bedar et al.		
	AE*	US-6,995,930	02-07-2006	Shafer et al.		
	AF*	US-2006/0221458-A1	10-05-2006	Shafer et al.		
	AG*	US-2003/0174408-A1	05-10-2005	Rostalski et al.	<u> </u>	
	AH*	US-2002/0102497-A1	10-07-2003	Sparrow		
	Al*	US-4,861,148	08-29-1989	Sato et al.	-	
	AJ*	US-6,025,115	02-15-2000	Komatsu at al.		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	Publication	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines,	Γ
Initials*	No.1	Country Code <sup>2</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (If known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Applicant of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	™
	ВА	WO-2004/019128	03-04-2004	Nikon Corporation		1
	BB	WO-2005/081067	09-01-2005	CARL ZEISS SMT AG		7
	ВС	WO-2005/106589	11-10-2005	CARL ZEISS SMT AG		7
	BD	EP-0 475 020-A	03-18-1992	International Business Machines Corporation		₹
	BE	WO-2005/059654	06-30-2005	Carl Zeiss SMT AG		V

"EXAMINER: initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Oraw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. "Applicants unique citation designation number (optional). "Bee Kinds Codes of USFTO Platert Documents at <u>www.usplo.gov</u> or MPEP 901.04. "Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST3)." "For Japanesis patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. "Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible." Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.1	Include name of the euthor (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, sympostum, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T²		
	CA	Smith, B. W. et al., "Water Immarsion Optical Lithography for the 45nm Node", Optical Microlithography XVI, Proceedings of SPIE (2003) Vol. 5040; 679-689			
	СВ	Smith, B.W. et al., "Approaching the numerical aperture of water-immersion lithography at 193nm", Optical Microlithography XVII, Proceedings of SPIE, Vol. 5377; 273-284			
	CC	Burnett, J.H. at al., " High Indax Materials for 193 nm and 157 nm Immersion Lithography", International Sympoelum on Immarsion & 157 nm Lithography, Vancouver, 8/2/2004			

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not charton is in conformance with MPEP 609. Oraw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). \*\*Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Examiner	Date
Signature	Considered